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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are a Response After Final, responsive to the Final Office Action, mailed July 2, 2004, a check (\$55) for the requisite fee for a one-month extension of time, and a return postcard in connection with the above-captioned patent application. If a Petition for extension of time is needed, this paper is to be considered such Petition.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee for the extension of time and any other fee that may be due in connection with this and the attached papers or with this application during its entire pendency to Deposit Account No. 06-1050. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action, mailed July 2, 2004, entry of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested. It is respectfully submitted that the amendments and consideration of the following remarks either place the application into condition for allowance or reduce the number of issues for appeal. The amendments of claims 17 and 18 correct an obvious grammatical error.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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